

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice nor disclaimer of the subject matter set forth therein:

Please amend claims 9, 11, 12 and 18-22 as follows:

1. (Originally Presented) A method of putting a golf ball on a green of a golf course by a golfer, comprising the steps of the golfer:

standing on an opposing side of a golf hole from the golf ball resting on a surface of the green;

addressing an extended line-of-putt extending from the golf ball though the golf hole;

extending a golf putter from the opposing side of the golf hole and positioning a putter head of the golf putter behind the golf ball with respect to the golf hole;

resting the putter head of the golf putter on the surface of the green behind the golf ball;

drawing the putter head of the golf putter toward the golf hole; and

striking the golf ball on a side of the golf ball opposing the golf hole such that the golf ball travels toward the golf hole.

2. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said step of addressing the extended line-of-putt includes positioning the feet of the golfer on opposing sides of the extended line-of-putt.

3. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 2, wherein the feet of the golfer are spaced equal distance from the extended line-of-putt.

4. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said step of extending the golf putter from the opposing side of the golf hole includes aligning a shaft of the golf putter along the extended line-of-putt.

5. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said step of resting the putter head on the surface of the green behind the golf ball includes positioning a length of the putter head substantially perpendicular to the extended line-of-putt.

6. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said step of drawing the putter head toward the golf hole includes sliding the putter head on the surface of the green.

7. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said step of striking the golf ball includes making a single contact with the golf ball.

8. (Originally Presented) The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said step of striking the golf ball includes striking the golf ball with a surface of the putter head.

9. (Presently Amended) A golf putter for putting a golf ball on a green of a golf course by a golfer comprising;

an elongated putter head having a ball striking surface, a length of said putter head being greater than a width of said putter head with said ball striking surface being substantially cylindrical and extending around and parallel to a longitudinal axis of said putter head, said ball striking surface including an infinite number of ball striking lines extending

parallel to said longitudinal axis of said putter head and continuing from at least a lower surface of said putter head over an upper surface of said putter head;

a flange secured to and extending along a length of said putter head;

a shaft ~~[[extending from said flange and]]~~ having a first end secured to said flange and extending upwardly from said flange and rearwardly of said ball striking lines; and

a grip secured to a second end of said shaft.

10. (Canceled) The golf putter as defined in claim 9, wherein said putter head is substantially cylindrical and said length is greater than a diameter of said putter head.

11. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~40~~ 9, wherein at least a first portion of said shaft extends substantially transversely to said flange.

12. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~40~~ 9, wherein an entire length of said shaft extends substantially transversely to said flange.

13. (Originally Presented) The golf putter as defined in claim 11, wherein a portion of said shaft including said grip extends at an angle with respect to said first portion of said shaft.

14. (Originally Presented) The golf putter as defined in claim 11, wherein a second portion of said shaft extends at an angle with respect to said first portion of said shaft.

15. (Originally Presented) The golf putter as defined in claim 14, wherein a third portion of said shaft extends at an angle with respect to said second portion of said shaft.

16. (Originally Presented) The golf putter as defined in claim 15, wherein said third portion of said shaft extends substantially parallel to said first portion of said shaft.

17. (Originally Presented) The golf putter as defined in claim 16, wherein said grip is secured to said third portion of said shaft.

18. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~[[10]]~~ 9, wherein a length of said flange is substantially equal to said length of said putter head.

19. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~[[18]]~~ 9, wherein a length of said flange is longer than said putter head.

20. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~[[18]]~~ 9, wherein a thickness of said flange is less than the diameter of said putter head.

21. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~19~~ 9, wherein said flange includes a base portion secured to said putter head and a distal portion for receiving said shaft.

22. (Presently Amended) The golf putter as defined in claim ~~11~~ 9, wherein said flange is of a triangular configuration and a base of said triangular configuration is in contact with said putter head.

23. (Originally Presented) The golf putter as defined in claim 22, wherein the shaft extends from an apex of said triangular configuration of said flange.